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1. THIS MESSAGE AMPLIFIES INFORMATION IN REFERENCE A CONCERNING CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND AND OTHER CHINESE ACTIVITY ALONG THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER. DETAILED INTERPRETATION CONTINUES.

2. AT CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND MOST OF THE TRENCHING REPORTED IN REFERENCE A WAS APPARENTLY COMPLETED DURING THE PERIOD 7 DECEMBER 1969 THROUGH 21 JANUARY 1970, ALTHOUGH SOME EVIDENCE OF THE

CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESS TRENCHES WAS OBSERVABLE ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF SEPTEMBER 69. ON GOOD-QUALITY [REDACTED]

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THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF TRACK ACTIVITY ON OR LEADING TO THE ISLAND WHICH WOULD INDICATE THE PRESENCE OF PERSONNEL.

3. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 410 TENTS AT SEVEN MAJOR TENT CAMPS LOCATED WITHIN A 35-NAUTICAL-MILE (NM) RADIUS OF THE CLASH AREA. THE LOCATION AND SIZE OF THESE CAMPS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

| THE LOCATION AND SIZE OF TENTS | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------|-------------|
| 47-04-00N | 133-55-25E | - 52 | SMALL TENTS |
| 47-05-25N | 134-00-30E | - 13 | SMALL TENTS |
| 46-51-50N | 133-26-30E | - 67 | SMALL TENTS |
| 46-51-30N | 133-31-50E | - 130 | SMALL TENTS |
| 46-51-20N | 133-01-00E | - 53 | SMALL TENTS |
| 46-47-00N | 133-49-50E | - 31 | SMALL TENTS |
| 46-46-30N | 133-50-20E | - 65 | SMALL TENTS |

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(SEE NPIC PIM-005/70, [REDACTED] FOR A GRAPHIC DEPICTING THE LOCATION OF FIVE OF THESE CAMPS.)

4. AT LEAST 31 TENT CAMPS TOTALING MORE THAN 900 TENTS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED TO DATE ON THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER BETWEEN AINHU SUJFENHO. THESE INCLUDE THOSE OBSERVED IN THE CHENPAO AREA. A NEW AW RADAR CITE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AT THE HSIHOKOU PROBABLY MILITARY INSTALLATION NEAR THE TRI BORDER AT 48-39N 116-47E.

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